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# 2 doctors face tribunal over death of child patient in Abuja

From **Fred Ezeh**, Abuja

**THE** Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN) has referred two medical doctors, Denis Shattima and Hauwa Shehu, both from the Angelic Care Hospital, Garki, Abuja, to its disciplinary tribunal for their alleged role in the death of a nine-year-old girl Disney Nwanne, in Abuja.

The deceased girl's mother, Faith Nwanne, had accused the two doctors of professional misconduct/negligence, which allegedly resulted in the death of her daughter on February 4, 2020, hence, she approached the MDCN for further investigation and possible sanctions.

Nwanne, in an affidavit dated October 5, 2020, requested the MDCN to carry out further investigation and possibly take punitive measures against the two doctors whom she accused of being responsible for the death of her daughter through their negligence.

She had, in a 13-paragraph affidavit to the MDCN, alleged that poor handling and treatment from the doctors was responsible for the death of her daughter on February 4, 2020, at the Angelic Care Hospital, Garki, Abuja, in circumstances that she suspected to be professional negligence by the medical personnel at the health facility.

The deceased mother, perhaps, due to the circumstances of her daughter's death, also demanded a report about the possible causes of the death, more so, as a nurse allegedly sprinkled water on her daughter, while she was a patient at the facility after the said nurse

had administered a 'suspicious injection' to her late daughter.

Nwanne also stated that to her surprise, the Chief Medical Consultant, Shatima, produced two reports afterwards dated February 20 and 28 2010, respectively, for an incident that happened on February 4, 2020.

Meanwhile, MDCN Registrar, Tajudeen Sanusi, confirmed the petition against the two doctors, and explained that a prima facie case of misconduct in a professional respect has been established against them and the matter referred to the Medical and

Dental Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal (MDPDT) for further adjudication.

He promised that members of MDPDT would carry out thorough investigation on the matter and serve justice to all parties.

## At UNGA77: 90,000 Boko Haram, ISWAP members surrendered- Zulum

From **Juliana Taiwo-Obalonye**, Abuja

**GOVERNOR** Babagana Zulum of Borno State has disclosed that over 90,000 repentant Boko Haram ISWAP terrorists have voluntarily surrendered to the Army for disarmament, de-radicalisation and reintegration.

He made the disclosure at an event organised on the margins of the 77th UN General Assembly in New York. The event had the theme "Strengthening Resilience and Sustaining Development: A Humanitarian Development Peace Approach to Leaving No One Behind."

Addressing the audience made up of President Muhammadu Buhari, Deputy Secretary General, Amina Mohammed, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Martin Griffiths, the Minister

of Humanitarian Affairs, Disaster Management and Social Development, Hajia Sadiya Farouq, governors and other dignitaries, he said: "I want to bring to the notice of this gathering that within the last one year, Borno State government and, indeed, the Federal Government has, so far, received over 90,000 repentant Boko Haram and ISWAP members.

"This has never happened anywhere in the world. In the history of the world, the insurgency is coming to an end. I've started seeing light at the end of the tunnel.

"Peace to the end tire of the North East subregion entails peace to the entire Europe; peace to the entire Europe means to the entire world."

He said the acute humanitarian crisis has had a devastating social and economic impact on the population, further deepening fragility and poverty in the north east sub region.

"I must use this opportunity to commend the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and Borno State, the epicentre of the Boko Haram insurgency. Before assumption of duty of Mr President, 22 local gov-

ernment areas in Borno State, out of the 27 local government areas that we have, were under the control of Boko Haram insurgents.

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## 2 carpenters die in Anambra building

From **Obinna Odogwu**, Awka

**TWO** people have been confirmed dead following a building collapse in Oraifite community, Ekwusigo Local Government Area of Anambra State.

The deceased, according to the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN), were carpenters working in the site.

Sources said the building caved in when the builders were trying to correct an error they discovered on the second floor of the building under construction. They said that the building

collapsed, killing two of the workers at the site.

A source said: "Two people lost their lives in the building collapse in Ibolo, Oraifite in Ekwusigo Local Government Area of Anambra State.

"The deceased were said to be working at the two storey facility when the incident occurred in the early hours of Friday. The engineer in charge had instructed the workers to remove the second floor which was not properly constructed. It was in the course of the removal that the building caved in."

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